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Letter dated 24 March 2014 from the Chair of the Sierra Leone configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission addressed to the President of the Security Council

I visited Sierra Leone from 25 to 28 February in my capacity as Chair of the Sierra Leone configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission. My trip provided an opportunity to take stock of the progress on peacebuilding, particularly in the light of the impending withdrawal of the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Sierra Leone. I am hereby sharing the report of the visit, which includes proposals for a scaled-down, lighter and more responsive form of engagement by the Peacebuilding Commission. Let me also seize the opportunity to thank you for inviting me to brief the Security Council on 26 March 2014 on the situation in Sierra Leone.

I would like to thank the Government of Sierra Leone for the warm welcome I received and for the close partnership we have developed. I would also like to thank the Executive Representative of the Secretary-General, Jens Toyberg-Frandzen, his Office and the United Nations country team for their ongoing exemplary cooperation and the Peacebuilding Support Office for its continued support.

I remain at the disposal of the Security Council to provide further information and clarifications as may be required.

(*Signed*) Guillermo E. **Rishchynski**
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